

Shigeki TAMAI
Appl. No. 09/472,816
June 3, 2004

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reexamination of the captioned application is respectfully requested.

A. SUMMARY OF THIS AMENDMENT

By the current amendment, Applicants:

1. Amend claims 14-16, thereby rendering claims 14-16 allowable in accordance with the indication provided in box 4 of the Advisory Action of May 4, 2004.
2. Cancel claims 1-3, 5, 7, 8, 10-13, 17, 18, and 19 - 20 without prejudice or disclaimer.

B. MISCELLANEOUS

In view of the foregoing and other considerations, the Examiner has ample bases for withdrawing all rejections and for allowance of all pending claims. Accordingly, a formal indication of allowance is earnestly solicited.


The Commissioner is authorized to charge the undersigned's deposit account #14-1140 in whatever amount is necessary for entry of these papers and the continued pendency of the captioned application.

Should the Examiner feel that an interview with the undersigned would facilitate allowance of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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